

Today's
Advertisements.THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALL.

PROFESSOR MEROK,
Ex-Professor at the Conservatoire d'Hautbois,
Finland, and Cello Soloist at the
ROYAL OPERA, BRUXELLES,
will give a
GRAND CONCERT,
TO-NIGHT
(SATURDAY), the 18th December,
Assisted by Local Artists.

PROGRAMME.
PART I.
1. Adagio and Allegro.....V. Herbert.
For Violoncello and Piano.
Professor Merok and Mr. G. P. Lammer.
2. A Good Night.....Harris.
Mrs. Jewell.
3. Clarinet Solo.....La Traviata.....Verdi.
Mr. W. G. Bentley.
4. A Berceuse.....Casella.
Professor Merok.

INTERVAL OF 10 MINUTES.
PART II.
1. Trio (Andante and Allegro).....Bethoven.
For Violin, Violoncello and Piano.
M. Girard, Prof. Merok & Mr. Lammer.
2. A Romance.....D. Popper.
Prof. Merok.
3. Song.....Braga.
Mrs. Jewell.
4. Clarinet Solo, "Shadow Dance"
(Allegro).....Meyersbeer.
Mr. W. G. Bentley.

5. A Saraband Lento.....D. Popper.
6. Chanson Napolitaine.....Casella.
7. Tarantella.....D. Popper.
Admission,.....\$2 & \$1.
Plan at Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co.'s
Music Warehouse.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [1866]

THE DAIRY FARM & CO., LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that the COMPANY
will be in a position to resume business
in a few days. All Orders should be forwarded
at once.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [1874]

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THE Underwood will sell by
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ON
WEDNESDAY, the 22nd December, 1897,
Commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at his Auction Rooms, Zealand Street, No. 2,
A COLLECTION OF
FINE JAPANESE CURIOS AND SILKS
Comprising—
CLOISONNE VASES AND PLATES, FINE
SATSUMA AND KOTO VASES, BRONZES,
SILK EMBROIDERED SCREENS, BED
COVERS, TABLE COVERS, GONGS,
BELLS, FIRE SCREENS, &c., &c., &c.
JAPANESE CARPETS, JAPANESE TOYS.

A few fine AMERICAN STANDARD
LAMPS with Rochester Burners and Silk
Shades.
On View from TUESDAY, the 21st December,
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TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.
PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [1876]

POSTAGE STAMP EXHIBITION
during the Christmas Season
Commencing on
MONDAY, the 20th December, 1897.

THE attention of Collectors and others is
specially directed to the
**EXHIBITION OF POST-
AGE STAMPS**
of all kinds at the stall of
Messrs. GRAHA & CO.
in
HONGKONG HOTEL CORRIDOR
Rare Colonial, Foreign and Chinese Provincial
Postage Stamps in used and unused
condition.

XMAS 1897 NOVELTY
Cheap Philatelic Packets containing a varied
assortment of Postage Stamps for
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [1872]

**NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.**
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMSHIP "BRAEMAR,"
FROM PORTLAND, YOKOHAMA, KOBE
AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and to take immediate delivery of their
Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [1874]

**DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &
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VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
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SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
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Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, RESTAURANTS
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Any complaints should be addressed to the
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XMAS SPECIALITIES
XMAS AND NEW YEAR'S CARDS in
various DESIGNS, CADBURYS CHOC-
OLATE CREMES in Fancy Boxes of various
kinds.
**CALLARD and BOWSER'S ASSORTED
TOFFEEES and BUTTER SCOTCH, TOM
SMITH'S and BATTERS XMAS CRAC-
KERS, COMPAGNIE FRANCAISE FANCY
SWEETS of various kinds.**

**XMAS CAKES, XMAS PLUM PUDDING,
RAISINS and MINCE MEAT, ASSORTED
KINDS of NUTS, &c., &c.**
10 PER CENT FOR CASH
H. RUTTONJEE,
13, D'Agallier Street, Hongkong,
and
18 & 19, High Road, Kowloon.
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Intimation.

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ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

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House, bought direct at first hand, imported in
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the best goods at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.
PORT after removal should be rested a month
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SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET—Our Claret, including the lowest
prices, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are
not artificially made from raisins and
currants, as is generally the case with Cheap
Wines.

BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to
be pure Cognac, the difference in price
being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY—All our Whisky is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brand-
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY
marked "E" is universally popular, and is
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs
to be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to
be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colony or from our authorised Agents at the
Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [1876]

The Hongkong Telegraph
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1897.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.
We are told "It is not a fault of the
years' service, one little slip should be over-
looked." It is not one slip, but a succession
of them; and not little. We dislike to be
hard on anybody; but what is utterly
wrong must be altered, and Mr. Bowdler
set his face against improvement so
resolutely that there was no help for it but
to be severe. As far back as 1894, the
Reclamation works had choked up the big
Wing Lok Street main sewer, at the end
of Boham Strand, and all complaints
were officially contradicted for a very long
time. Then the plague broke out just
there; we do not go so far as to say it was
solely Mr. Bowdler's fault; the plague
ever came to Hongkong; but we do say
there was no plague known in the Colony
until after the Reclamation people had
commenced blocking sewers and flaily
denying the fact; and we do say the
ravages of the plague were first and worst
near that Wing Lok Street drain. Incred-
ible as it will seem to Mr. Oxbury,
even that terrible lesson had no effect
on the then Director of Public Works
and his Special Reclamation Engineer;
for the S.R.E. continued stopping the out-
lets of sewers not yet entirely disused,
and the D.P.W. continued ignoring complaints
or giving them the lie direct. Mr. Oxbury
will get some idea what sort of thing he
has come to take over, if he turns up the
records of the drain near Sassoon's offices
at the corner of Ice House Lane. What
would HAZARDUS have done with an official
report saying the Augean Stables did not
smell? Or saying that there was no
such place in existence?

We fail to see why Mr. Bowdler got no
Ribbon Jubilee Medal; it was his Reclama-
tion that the Colony jubilated on.
Instead of gold or silver, he should have
a medal of more appropriate kind. Some of
the smells from his choked-up drains have
been thick enough and hard enough to
mould into medals; but the difficulty would
be to drill a hole through, for the ribbon.
As for Mr. Oxbury, it is a pity he left the
Colony before his medal-scramble—or
rather, let us not deplore his leaving; but
say it is a pity the medals were not distrib-
uted earlier. He thoroughly deserved a
penny medal. Or bog-oak.

H.E. the Governor is not the only one
who makes a mess of recognising
public services voluntarily rendered.
Let us give him full justice—he is not so
clumsy but that a clunker can be found.
For example, how would it be if each of
the Jubilee Medalists had been given, say,
two or three dollars (less 17½ p. cent.
military contribution) to buy himself a
medal at a shop where he could
select his own design? Or how would
Mr. Francis, Q.C., have enjoyed getting a
cheque for the price of his inkpot, "with
compliments, E. & O. E.?" Yet that is
just how the chief officer of the *Edinburgh*
was thanked for what he did at the Regatta,
when that vessel was kindly lent for use as
flagship of the Victoria Recreation Club.
The Y.R.C. sent the poor man \$200 per-

haps he was badly needing a new
nether garment, or a few shirts, and the
\$200 would come in handy. The Club
couldn't manage a whole suit of clothes
for him. The haughty man sent the
money back, with a noble selfishness
like that of Sir PHILIP SYDNEY at the
Battle of Zutphen, when a cup of
water was handed to him by a wounded
man, and he gave it back saying
"Thy need is greater than mine." [Sir
Philip was not a water-drinker.] So likewise
the chief officer of the *Edinburgh*
sent back the \$200, in the evident
belief that it could be ill spared by the
Y.R.C.

At the next Regatta, we would sug-
gest that the lady who presents the
"Ladies' Prize" be not again handed an
extravagant and perishable bunch of
flowers, but let her have the fifty cents.
It is a great idea for simplifying
matters, and it can be used in other cases.
It is susceptible of universal application.
At Christmas, instead of sending hand-
painted cards or Raphael Tuck's
specimens of oleophotolithography, send
out to all relatives and friends so much in
stamps or Post Office Orders, and let them
please themselves. Bulky presents cost a
lot in freights, which profit the addressees
nothing; let sweethearts and wives "take
the upence instead," like the gentleman
who wouldn't take a whisky.

Our evening contemporary speaks of the
Supreme Court being adjourned "be-
cause Mr. FRANCIS' feet were cold." We
do not know about that, but we know he
is sometimes hot-headed. This is a new
variation of the old maxim "A cold hand
and a warm heart."

There has been considerable complaint
against the Chinese Telegraph Adminis-
tration in the North, for habitually delay-
ing the transmission of ordinary messages,
for the purpose of driving people to pay
"urgent" fees. In excellent contrast, we
note that a telegram from our Shanghai
correspondent to-day was handed in at
the Shanghai office of the Joint Cable
Companies at 2.25 p.m. and was sent to
us from the Hongkong office at 2.40 p.m.
—14 minutes for some 800 miles.

TELEGRAMS.
CHINA AND GERMANY.
TALK OF DECLARING WAR.
("HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SPECIAL)
SHANGHAI, December 18th.

There is no authentic news of the Kia-
chow affair, but plenty of *canards* are
flying about. According to one story, it
is reported that Li Hung-chang strongly
opposes the views of Prince Kung, and
wishes the immediate suspension of negotia-
tions. In my opinion this is utterly
untrue.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.
THE CAREW CASE.
LONDON, December 16th.

Sir Matthew Ridley, the Home Secretary, has
directed that Mr. Carew shall undergo his life
sentence in Aylesbury Convict prison.

CRICKET.
The Australian eleven are all out (and looking)
for 408 runs.

THE RECENT FIRE AT CRIPPLEGATE.
At the enquiry on the recent disastrous fire at
Cripple-gate a witness proved that the outbreak
occurred in two places simultaneously in Waller
and Brown's show-rooms. The Solicitor for the
City stated it was clearly not accidental.

Announcements.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
YAMASHIRO MARU J. Jones	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 21st December, at 4 P.M.
SANUKI MARU W. Townsend	MARSHALLS, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA STRAITS (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA, PORTS), COLOMBO and PORT SAID	TUESDAY, 21st December, at 4 P.M.
YAMAGUCHI MARU S. Kawamura	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 23rd December, at 4 P.M.
SAGAMI MARU M. J. Currow	SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO, SHIMOYU, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 24th December, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU E. W. Haswell	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA, PORTS), and COLOMBO	FRIDAY, 24th December, at 4 P.M.
IZUMI MARU R. Nunome	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A. via KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	THURSDAY, 30th December, at Noon.
RIOJUN MARU A. E. Moss	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A. via KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	THURSDAY, 30th December, at 4 P.M.

* Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.
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A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1897.

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VICTORIA PRECEPTORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the VICTORIA PRECEPTORY will be held in the FRASERS' HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 20th inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1897. [189]

Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"TRIESTE."
Having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Underwriter before Noon on the 23rd December, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 23rd December will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1897. [189]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENGLYLE."
Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 30th inst., otherwise they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst. at 11 A.M.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1897. [189]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND BORDEAUX.

THE Steamship

"GLENGLYLE."
Consignees of cargo shipped by the above named steamer in August last are hereby informed that a portion of their Goods has now arrived per same steamer, and is being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained after the Average Bond, which is lying in the Office of the Underwriter, has been signed. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1897. [189]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG."
Captain Dodd, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1897. [186]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

"PYRRHUS."
Captain Bait, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1897. [178]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

"MEMNOV."
Captain Megridge, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 20th inst., at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1897. [185]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

"FERNFIELD."
Captain W. McFee, will be despatched as above on MONDAY the 20th inst., at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.
To be followed by the S.S. "YARROWDALE" on or about 5th Jan., 1898. S.S. "HANSEAT" on or about 31st Jan., 1898. S.S. "LYDERHORN" on or about 15th Feb., 1898. S.S. "ORWELL" on or about 28th Feb., 1898.
For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1897. [176]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES.

"PECTAN."
Captain N. Hocken, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th inst.
For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [184]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LEGHORN AND GENOA.

"VOLUTE."
Captain Carter, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th inst.
For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1897. [185]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,
(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

STEAM TO KOBE (DIRECT).

"POSEIDON."
Captain R. Meyer, will leave for the above place on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1897. [184]

MOGUL-WARRACKMILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

"SIKH."
To sail about the 15th December, 1897. S.S. "PORTADELADE" about 15th Jan., 1898. S.S. "ARGYLE" about 5th Feb., 1898. S.S. "CHAZELLE" about 20th Feb., 1898. S.S. "LE NOX" about 10th March, 1898.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [183]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

"TAIYUAN."
Captain Nelson, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1897. [186]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

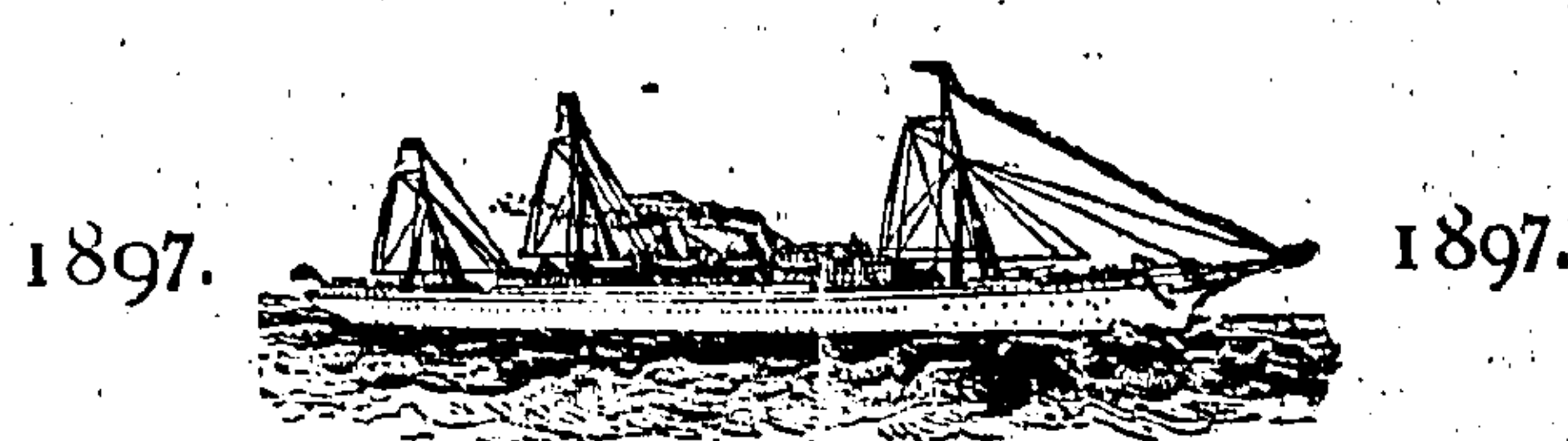
"MYRMIDON."
Capt. in Retire, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 31st inst.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1897. [186]

SAILING VESSEL.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

"NEW YORK."
Peabody, Master, shortly expected here, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1897. [182]

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EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 16th February.

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1897.

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HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Tuesday, 28th Dec., at Noon.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Saturday, 15th Jan., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Thursday, 3rd Feb., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"COPTIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND

SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU on

TUESDAY, the 28th Dec., 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-

LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,

and passengers are allowed to break their

journey at any point en route.

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lars of the various Routes may be obtained

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Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European

Officials in service of China, Japan, and to

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Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embark-

ing at San Francisco for China or Japan for *retes**verses* within one year, will be allowed a dis-

count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not

apply to through fares for China and Japan

to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to

address in full, and same will be retained at

the Company's Office until 5 P.M. the day

previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-

tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the

United States, should be sent to the Company's

Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,

San Francisco.

Information as to Freight or

Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 7, Praya Central.J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1897.

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Thursday, 6th Jan., at Noon.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Tuesday, 25th Jan., at Noon.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Saturday, 12th Feb., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, INLAND SEA,

and YOKOHAMA on THURSDAY, the

6th January, 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers

and Freight for Japan, the United States, and

Europe.

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Hongkong, 24th August, 1897. [18]

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1897. [18]

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